

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



June 2020

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Pancake Breakfast: Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, June 7th, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Setup will be on Sunday, June 7th, at 7am. Please come and help out if you can.
- Regular Monthly Meeting: Our next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9th, at 8:00 pm, after Rosary for the Sick (7:10) and Mass (7:30). Replaced with Zoom Meeting?
- Altar Boy's Appreciation Day: Will be held Saturday, June 13th.
- Parish Appreciation Dinner: Monsignor Rossi's dinner is planned for Sunday, June 28th.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Brothers, as you can see, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, our council activities have been cancelled. This is a very difficult and unfortunate time for everyone, and we should pray for one another and for the end of this virus. St. Michael's parish is streaming daily and Sunday Masses and I would encourage you and your families and friends to attend; go to stmichaelsparish.ca for the links. Below is an update from Monsignor Rossi and the Parish Council.

Congratulations to Jacob & Kari Rossi on the birth of their son, Luca Giacomo Rossi, born May 10, a brother to Lisetta. Proud grandparents are Moreno Rossi & Lesley Welton. Hopefully Luca will be a future knight in our council.

Usually in June we hold the Altar Boy's appreciation day. Unfortunately, we will have to postpone this to another time. Also we usually have our Knights' awards dinner about this time but due to the pandemic, this has been cancelled.

For the Charity Appeal raffle tickets, our council sold 260 books and we will receive a rebate of \$2,774.20 which we have to apply for and goes to charities of our choice, usually our parish food bank. It is definitely worth all the effort we put in to sell tickets.

If you have forgotten, please send your annual dues of \$40 to our financial secretary Alan Wardle, etransfer, paypal, cheque. We have to pay Supreme for every member of our council, so we rely on the membership dues to cover this cost. Thanks.

Brother Bob Murphie has been busy finding nominations for next year's executive positions. While most of the positions have candidates to be voted on, we are still open for nominations. If you would like to submit your name or nominate someone for a particular position, phone Bob at 604-323-3611. It is a great opportunity to learn some new skills and serve others in these unique roles. See last month's newsletter for position descriptions.

We are considering holding a Zoom meeting on June 9 at 8pm – our regular meeting time. If we go ahead with this "virtual" meeting, there will be a separate email with instructions as to how to join as well as the meeting ID and password. This would include voting in the new executive for next year. Please try to attend if you able, assuming we hold this meeting.

Vivat Jesus, Rafael Sevilla, GK

Parish Council Update:

May Parish Council Meeting:

After much prayer and consideration, and given the stringent conditions of operation, it has been decided that at the present time there is no plan to open the Church for Sunday Masses. See Monsignor's letter posted on our Parish website – "stmichaelsparish.ca". Live streaming of daily Masses will continue as usual.

Much needed Church maintenance will go ahead with approval of the Archdiocese.

- First and foremost, recondition the pews and replace current floorcovering.
- Replace current lighting above the Altar with modern, practical lighting.
- Replace/repair door and window frames in the basement.
- Replace furnace and update heating system.

Project Advance will continue this year with a reduced Diocesan goal of \$23,000 for St. Michael's. More information to follow.

St. Michael's School is set to open June 1st, with 40% of K-5 on 2 days and 40% 6-7 on 1 day per week.

Gary Jeannotte

Membership Update:

Due to the COVID-19 virus, there are no in-person **exemplifications** available at this time. However, there is a 1-2-3 combined degrees on line. All the candidate have to do is register and watch it at the predetermine time, pay the dues, and they are knights!

If you know of any candidate interested, please let me (Enrico) know and I can follow up with them.

Enrico Garrone

Fourth Degree:

At this time, we would normally have the May Procession and First Communion with a Fourth Degree Honour Guard. However these have been cancelled or postponed due to the virus.

Alain Custeau

Program Director's Report:

Brothers, it is with much regret that I must resign from my position as Program Director of our council. I will continue in the position of Counsel Trustee as long as I am able. This is due to my health and actions I must do to deal with the cancer I have. I thank everyone for their support that has been given me to make my job most satisfying over the many years in this council.

As many of our events have been cancelled or postponed we must take time to consider our best action plans are to be. Our Pennies for Heaven program was to make a donation at the State Convention but many of the donations have not been collected. Also our Walk for Special Olympics, almost complete, still has some pledges to be collected for a final total to be determined. This again is just short of complete. My thought is that if we can complete collection of our funds we should donated directly to Special Olympics. This is a decision to be made by our council executive.

In closing I wish everyone a safe time through this terrible disease and pray for everyone's good health

Brother Bruce McLean

++++++++ **VOLUNTEERING - IF NOT ME THEN WHO?** +++++++++



Birthdays in June:

Emilio Aviani, Bill Blair, Joe Bogdanich, Chad Ciavarro, Shawn Cody, Fr. Rodney Nootebos, Tony Patrick, Charles Phoday, Brian Power, Tony Viani, Zvonko Basic, Carl Anthony

Calendar of Events:

Due to the COVID-19 virus most events have been cancelled:

- Knights Walk for Special Olympics –collect pledges
- Pennies for Heaven for vocations save loose change

June 1st St. Michael's May Procession

June 7th Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set-up 7 am.

June 9th - Knights regular monthly meeting (Zoom meeting?)

June 13th Altar Servers Day

June 21st –Father's Day

June 28th Parish Appreciation Dinner

+++Pray for PRIESTS, BROTHERS, and SISTERS ... They need us – we need them++++

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Please pray for the sick in our Parish:

Bill & Kay Blair; Al Boire; Eileen Cassidy; Robert Costa; Andrew Garisto; Bonny Gerson; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Stan & Carol March; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Bruce McLean; Edmond Kim; Kenneth Klikach; Peggy MacDonald; Tony & Cathy Patrick; John Todd: Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Father John Swinkels; Fathers David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville & Br. Tom Maddix; Paula Whire

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US